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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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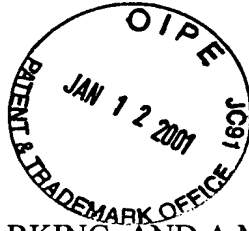
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Application No.: 09/688,961

Filed: October 17, 2000

Docket No.: 107615

For: A METHOD OF HOT MARKING, AND A MULTILAYER  
STRUCTURE FOR IMPLEMENTING SUCH A METHOD



**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS WITH DECLARATION**

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
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Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date  
Granted (copy attached) mailed on November 13, submitted herewith is the executed  
Declaration of the inventor. Any specification attached to and referenced in the Declaration  
is a copy of the specification and any amendments thereto which were filed in the Office in  
order to obtain a filing date for the application.

Attached is our Check No. 115334 for ☒\$130.00 ☐\$65.00 (entitlement to  
small entity status is asserted) for the fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.16(e).

Entry of these documents should complete all of the filing formalities and  
fully satisfy all requirements of the Notice to File Missing Parts. Accordingly, examination  
and allowance of this application in due course are respectfully solicited.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee (or credit any  
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**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL**

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Preliminary Amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☐ Entitlement to small entity status is hereby asserted.  
☐ Small entity status of this application has been established.

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